

House Resolution No. 2587

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their spiritual and educational leadership; and

Whereas, the Reverend Dr. Enoch Oglesby of Dardeene Prairie, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a Professor of Theology and History at Eden Theological Seminary, a vocational calling that he will draw to a close at the end of the 2007-2008 school year in well-deserved retirement after thirty years of service; and

Whereas, known for excellence in teaching, scholarship, and social vision, Professor Enoch Oglesby has helped transform Eden Theological Seminary as a school of the church; and

Whereas, Professor Enoch Oglesby's intellect and passion have inspired his colleagues and peers in classrooms, faculty meetings, chapel, churches, board meetings, and community meetings; and

Whereas, Professor Enoch Oglesby has helped ensure that Eden Theological Seminary remains true to its evangelical heritage by embracing diversity while working for unity in solidarity with the marginalized and oppressed in society; and

Whereas, Professor Enoch Oglesby will be given public praise by Eden Theological Seminary at several events throughout the year 2008, including a special dinner in May and a Festival of Celebration coinciding with the annual Schmiechen Lecture on October 15; and

Whereas, Professor Enoch Oglesby is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved husband of Gloria Oglesby, who has lovingly supported and encouraged him throughout their marriage; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives, including former student Jeanette Mott Oxford, should pause in its diverse legislative actions in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri citizens as Professor Enoch Oglesby at momentous times in their lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in the life and work of Dr. Enoch Oglesby and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to the Reverend Dr. Enoch Oglesby of Dardeene Prairie, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Jeanette Mott Oxford
District No. 59

Representative Kathlyn Fares
District No. 91

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2587, adopted May 5, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker